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Serial No.: 09/591,432		)	Group Art Unit: 1638
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For:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY DETERMINING SEED VIGOR INDEX FROM SEEDLINGS WITH AUTOMATIC SEPARATION OF OVERLAPPED SEEDLINGS	) ) ) )	Attorney Docket No.: 22727/04060

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated August 10, 2000, applicants respectfully submit the enclosed executed 37 CFR 1.127 Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status, an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. A check for \$656.00 is enclosed to cover the basic filing fee, appropriate surcharge and one month extension fee. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts received from the Patent Office is also enclosed.

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